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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

K. NAKAYAMA, et al

Serial No.:

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Title:

PACKET SWITCH FOR SWITCHING VARIABLE LENGTH PACKETS

IN THE FORM OF ATM CELLS

Art Unit:

2663

Examiner:

S. Hyun

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 December 28, 2004

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the second month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding final Office Action dated July 28, 2004, and as a result of the filing of a Notice of Appeal on December 28, 2004. A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$450.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C. No. 50-1417 (Case No. 520.36977X00).

Respectfully submitted,

MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C.

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